

**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION  
OF  
PLACER COUNTY**

February 13, 2003 Meeting Minutes  
Shiloh Center, Auburn, CA.

Attendees (Commissioners & Staff):

**Dr. Richard Burton**, Chair, Commissioner & Placer County Health Officer  
**Jill Harper**, Vice Chair, Commissioner & PCOE Administrator of Child Development Programs  
**Tamara Lieberman**, Commissioner & Tahoe Community Foundation  
**Raymond Merz**, Commissioner & Director of Placer County Health & Human Services  
**Harriet White**, Commissioner & Board of Supervisors – District 3  
**Dr. Sandra Naylor Goodwin**, Commissioner & Director for the California Institute for Mental Health  
**Jo McCormack**, County Counsel  
**Don Ferretti**, CFC Coordinator & Health and Human Services Administration  
**Nancy Baggett**, Health & Human Services - CFC Staff Systems Analyst  
**Bobbie Reagan**, Health & Human Services - CFC Administrative Staff

Commissioners & Staff Not in Attendance:

**All present**

Public Attendees:

**David Gray**, Placer Institute, Consultant  
**Veronica Vasquez**, Nutrition Coalition  
**Kim Bradley**, Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee  
**Brad Morrison**, TASC Consultant  
**Carol Brock**, Commissioner Candidate  
**Mindy Danovaro**, Commissioner Candidate  
**Steve Conklin**, Commissioner Candidate  
**Francine Nunes**, PCOE/Child Care Local Planning Council  
**Susan Fernandes**, PCOE  
**Sharon Junge**, UCCE  
**Paula Anderson**, UCCE  
**Amy Netemeyer**, UCCE  
**Michele Fisch**, UCCE  
**Wendi Milka**, UCCE  
**Bobbie Brown**, Music Program at Rock Creek School  
**Bruce Bronzan**, Trilogy Integrated Resources (Web page presentation)  
**Kathy Sterbenc**, Trilogy Integrated Resources (Web page presentation)

## **Call Meeting to Order**

Meeting called to order by current Chair, Dr. Richard Burton, at 4:40 p.m.

### **I. Public Comment**

Persons may address the Commission on items not on this agenda. Please note that although the Commission is very interested in your concerns, the California Brown Act prohibits the Commission from taking any action this meeting on items not published on this agenda.

Paula Anderson from UCCE extended an invitation and hand out for the Commissioners to attend a Valentine event at the Roseville Library "Show Your Love – Share a Book", Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1 pm. This event is sponsored by UC Cooperative Extension's Ready to Succeed Program and the Roseville Library.

Sharon Junge from UCCE also provided a handout to the Commissioners titled "Training Needs and Strategies: Findings From a Survey of Placer County Early Childhood Educators". Sharon included a background on the handout.

### **II. Approval of Minutes from Meeting held November 14, 2002**

Approve minutes as submitted.

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED**

Jill Harper / Tamara Lieberman. Unanimous

### **III. Commission Action Items**

#### **1. CFC Election of Officers for 2003.**

Nominees are:

- Jill Harper, Chair
- Tamara Lieberman, Vice Chair

Dr. Burton closed the nominations for officers.

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE OFFICERS FOR 2003 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Harriet White / Sandra Naylor Goodwin. Unanimous

Dr. Burton passed the meeting over to Jill Harper.

**2. Request approval for the following appointments to the Community Resource Committee (CRC):**

Tamara commented that the number and quality of applicants was very impressive. The CRC is recommending the appointment of three committee members to represent each of the three advisory committees.

- Georgetta Dolinsek – Coordinator, Western Placer Unified School District-Placer Collaborative Network Representative
- Susan Fernandes – PCOE Child Development Program Manager-Community Collaborative of Tahoe/Truckee Representative
- Francine Nunes – Child Care Coordinator, Child Care Local Planning Council Representative

**MOTION TO APPROVE ABOVE LISTED APPOINTMENTS TO THE CRC**

Harriet White / Dr. Burton. Unanimous

**3. Request approval of funding (\$5,000) for the Music Program for Autistic Spectrum Disorder preschool children at Rock Creek Elementary School, represented by Bobbie Brown.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR MUSIC PROGRAM FOR AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDER**

Sandra Naylor Goodwin / Harriet White. Unanimous

**4. Request approval from the Commission to sanction and support a CFC Partner Network Outcome Faire to be held on May 2, 2003.**

Overview and scope of Faire was given by Vice Chair, Tamara Lieberman. It was requested that the CFC Partner Network emphasize the results that have been achieved for the 0-5 population. The purpose of the Faire is to provide an opportunity for the community to understand what is going on with Prop. 10 money. Also, it provides an opportunity for the Partner Network to connect with new contacts, re-new past connections and exchange ideas. Also, the Faire provides a free, safe and fun environment for families and children 0-5 to interact together and learn about resources available to them within the community.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL TO SANCTION AND SUPPORT A PARTNER NETWORK OUTCOME FAIRE MAY 2, 2003**

Sandra Naylor Goodwin / Harriet White. Unanimous

Don Ferretti stated that the Rocklin Sunset Center will be the location of the Faire and he will check on the possibility of a shuttle service to outlying areas. He also requested that the Commissioners and CRC plan to attend the Faire and touch basis with the partners, many of which will be continuing their contracts into the third and final year. This will allow the Commissioners to become more familiar

with the program, review results and talk with the people involved. Action items will be discussed at the May or June meeting for continuing programs.

Francine Nunes suggested that each partner booth have an activity going on for the children at all times. This really seems to attract attention and keeps all the booths busy.

Tamara mentioned that any correspondence being directed to the press in the Tahoe region should be forwarded to her office or Kim first. They will prepare on their letterhead and forward, possibly gaining additional notice from the media.

## **5. Interviews from Candidates for Commissioner Seat**

Tamara read a letter of introduction from Carol Cooper who was attending her daughter's wedding and could not appear before the commission.

Carol Brock addressed the commission and provided information on her professional background and her goals for the future.

Steve Conklin introduced himself and addressed the commission providing information on his background and his reason for applying for the opening.

Mindy Danovaro explained her reason for applying for the position and presented the commission with her professional background.

Tamara clarified the expectations of being a Commissioner.

- Attend Regular CFC Meetings
- Attend Outcome Faires
- Attend Learning Conversations
- Participate on the Community Resource Committee
- Participate at the State Prop 10 monthly meetings
- Participate in the re-evaluation of our Strategic Plan

Discussion followed on conflict of interest in participating on the commission. Commissioners answered that anyone could abstain from voting at anytime eliminating any conflict of interest problems.

Tamara stated that the CRC will make a recommendation for the vacant seat at the next meeting.

#### **IV. Commissioner Reports**

##### **1. Impact of the Governor's proposed budget cuts on young children.**

Jill reported that Sandra and herself had attended the last State Prop. 10 meeting. Issues discussed included the proposed budget cuts and the tremendous pressure to backfill those cuts. They were concerned about being able to maintain the focus off what Prop 10 stands for and avoid losing sight of the original purpose. Discussion about the association becoming more pro-active in promoting legislation.

Discussion followed on the future possible budget cuts and the impact to all of Placer County and the Commission.

Harriet mentioned that the CAP conference she had been approved to attend in Arizona turned out to be a stay in the hospital after being involved in a car accident. She was unable to attend that conference.

##### **2. Web Page Presentation.**

Sandra introduced Bruce Bronzan from Trilogy Integrated Resources. Bruce acknowledged his assistant Kathy Sterbenc and provided a presentation of his active web page for Health Care and Children. He is directed by the State on who should be having access to this presentation. Cost to Placer County to be linked to this site is \$20,000, with a \$2,000 monthly maintenance fee.

#### **V. Advisory Committee Reports**

##### **1. Community Collaborative of Tahoe/Truckee**

Kim Bradley provided an overview and update on upcoming events in the Tahoe region. Also, distributed a schedule of activities referencing Dental Health Month. Kim thanked the Commission for including a chance to report on these issues at the meeting.

##### **2. Placer Collaborative Network**

No report given

##### **3. Child Care Local Planning Council**

Francine Nunes provided an overview on the "Cares" project (included handouts) and other projects that are currently in process. There is an "Open Space" event tentatively scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss services and issues for the special needs 0-5 population.

## **VI. Coordinator Reports**

### **1. Status reports on various activities.**

- Don announced that the next focused Conversation Training will be held on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- The next CFC Partner Network Outcome Faire will be held on May 2 at the Rocklin Sunset Center.
- Don, Nancy and David are holding ongoing Data Conversations with our partners. Commissioners are urged to attend and participate.
- A update on directions for teleconferencing with a commissioner if a quorum is needed at a future meeting (must be prepared in advance):
  - a). Provide public with notice on the Agenda,
  - b). Commissioner on conference call must be physically in Placer County,
  - c). Public notice on location of conference call so that the public can participate.
  - d). All votes taken on a conference call must be taken on a roll call basis.
- Don introduced Brad Morrison, TASC Consultant, who has been conducting interviews with the Partner Network and will provide the Commission with ideas on the different directions they might want to pursue as far as organizational structure is concerned. This project includes interviews and background research resulting in an assessment of how the system is currently working. The collected information has noted an “alarming consistently” in the way that everyone sees the Prop. 10 project. Very positive feedback has been documented and he will bring data together and present a platform that the CFC can build upon for the future allowing everyone to move forward together. Commissioners suggested this information could be used to convene Conversation Groups to understand the data.

### **Next CRC Meeting**

March 7, 2003, 3 p.m. at the Shiloh Center in Auburn, CA.

### **Next CFC Meeting**

March 13, 2003, 4:30 p.m. at the Shiloh Center in Auburn, CA.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.